



Lesson LXIII... The Pacific Region.

1. **Characteristics.**—To the four divisions of the United States, called *Eastern*, *Middle*, *Southern*, and *Western*, we now add a fifth division, called the *Pacific Region*, which lies between the Rocky Mountains and the Pacific Ocean.

2. **Mountains.**—The *Rocky Mountains*, broken into

various ranges, extend along the western borders of this territory. The *Sierra Nevada* range, passing under different names, extends along the coast, at a distance of one to two hundred miles.

3. **Valleys, Deserts, &c.**—The Pacific region greatly resembles some portions of Asia. We have here a Great Salt Lake, resembling the Caspian; elevated table-lands, surrounded by mountains, like those of Tartary; and plains

Exercises on Map of the Pacific Region.—Boundaries of the State of California? Extent? Population? What mountain ranges extend north and south through this state? Boundaries of Utah? Extent? Population? What great lake is in the north?

What mountains near the center? Describe the Colorado; the Gila. Boundaries of Oregon? Extent? Population? Where are the Cascade Mountains? Blue Mountains? Where is Mount St. Helens? Describe the Columbia River. Boundaries of Washington?